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DATE: May 6, 2019

TO: Chief Local Elected Officials

Workforce Development Board Chairs Workforce Development Board Staff

FROM: Sarah Ashmore, Interim Executive Director

RE: Announcement of Apprenticeship Incentive Grants

MESSAGE:

The Oklahoma Office of Workforce Development (OOWD) believes that apprenticeship serves as a crucial tool for employers to build their own talent pipelines and access the skilled workers they need and also creates high-wage, in-demand job opportunity on-ramps for Oklahomans.

To support employers and industry partners in creating effective apprenticeship programs, OOWD is pleased to invite you to apply for apprenticeship incentive grants to establish new apprenticeship programs. OOWD will release ten awards to grantees. Individual employers are eligible for grants up to \$10,000.00. Grantees who apply as an employer consortium are eligible for grants up to \$15,000.00. Applicants applying as a consortium should consist of two or more employers who are committed to creating an apprenticeship program within the same occupation and according to the same apprenticeship standards (such as pay, length of program, minimum requirements, etc.).

Grants will be accepted until the grant application deadline at 5:00 p.m. on June 1, 2019.

For more information on the grant application and submission guidelines, visit: https://oklahomaworks.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Apprenticeship-Incentive-Grant-Final-1.pdf .

Grantee awards will be announced at the Work-Based Learning Summit on June 17, 2019.

